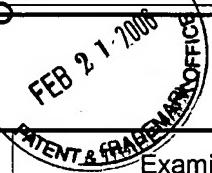


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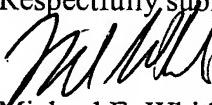
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 1, 2006, the applicant elects the Group II invention including claims 2-16, without traverse.

Please proceed to examination on the merits.

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